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Board of Equalization Unveils New Top 500 Tax Debtors **New Tools Help Ensure Compliance and Close Tax Gap**

Sacramento – Individuals and businesses appearing on the Top 500 Delinquent Taxpayer list face new penalties beginning July 1, according to the California Board of Equalization (BOE). They could lose their state-issued licenses, including driver's licenses and occupational or professional licenses. Under the new law, state agencies will also be prohibited from entering into contracts with the Top 500.

The penalties are part of a law aimed at providing incentives for tax delinquents to pay their debts. The BOE is committed to collecting taxes owed to the state to provide revenues needed for essential public services. Those on the updated [Top 500 list](#) owe \$570.8 million.

"When taxpayers choose to ignore their tax debts, they leave the Board no alternative but to step up its enforcement efforts," said Chairman Jerome E. Horton, author of the legislation that created the original list. "Their failure to play by the rules places an unfair burden on all Californians and robs the state of funding for critical services like education and public safety."

The total amount collected by the BOE since the first list was posted in 2007 is \$5.7 million. Taxpayers who are scheduled to be listed are given a 30-day notice so they have a chance to take care of their bills. Tax liabilities under appeal, in litigation, or in bankruptcy proceedings are not included on the list.

The Franchise Tax Board (FTB) also has a Top 500 list and together with the BOE have collected more than \$135 million since the program began.

The original Top 250 delinquency list was a result of a state law ([AB 1418](#)) authored by BOE Chairman Jerome Horton when he was a member of the California State Assembly in 2006. The Top 250 list was expanded to 500 in 2012 under [AB 1424](#).

BOE's [list](#) of the state's Top 500 sales and use tax delinquencies is updated quarterly at boe.ca.gov. Taxpayers on the Top 500 list may contact the BOE to resolve their accounts and make payment agreements. Taxpayers who need assistance may contact the BOE at 916-445-5167. The FTB Top 500 list published biannually is on FTB's website at ftb.ca.gov.

To view BOE's Top 500 list of sales and use tax delinquencies list, visit <http://1.usa.gov/BOETop500>.

The following names were added to the Top 500 list for the second quarter 2012:

NAME	DBA	City	State	Balance Amount Due
KEITH JOHN LONDOS	RECREATIONAL WAREHOUSE	NORCO	CA	\$1,429,490.00
WILLIAM EMMET WEHRLI	BILL WEHRLI WINDOWS	FOSSIL	OR	\$1,371,634.00
SY SINGHAL		HUNTINGTON BEACH	CA	\$1,304,926.00
TALAL N. HAMATI		GRANADA HILLS	CA	\$1,294,526.00
MIAMI COMPUTER SUPPLY CORPORATION	MCSI	ALISO VIEJO	CA	\$1,064,824.00
MANN MOTOR CORPORATION		SAN JOSE	CA	\$956,179.00
SILVESTRE MADRID	HAYWARD AUTO PLAZA	HAYWARD	CA	\$871,861.00
MUNIR MANSOOR ALI		ANAHEIM	CA	\$799,589.00
MAIN STREET CALIFORNIA, INC	T.G.I. FRIDAY'S	PHOENIX	AZ	\$775,291.00
CASSANDRA,LLC	CENTRAL PARK RESTAURANT	OAKLAND	CA	\$770,882.00
ALEJANDRO URIBE GARDIEL		LAS VEGAS	NV	\$758,801.00
JESUS VELASCO MEDINA		SYLMAR	CA	\$757,876.00
SANG SUN PATTERSON	ULTRA MART	LOS ANGELES	CA	\$719,086.00
WISAL AMEEN		SAN MATEO	CA	\$710,107.00
ALFREDO ENRIQUE PERNISCO SR		SANTA MONICA	CA	\$655,999.00
STARTING POINT , LLC	CASTRO VALLEY ARCO AM/PM	DUBLIN	CA	\$637,221.00
JEFFREY RICHMOND SAN DIEGO	RED LANTERN	BURLINGAME	CA	\$610,328.00
ANGELICA PLASENCIA		TULARE	CA	\$608,158.00
SELECT OFFICE SOLUTIONS, INC		IRWINDALE	CA	\$572,126.00
CATHERINE ELAINE SOUZA	SOUZA TIRE	SANGER	CA	\$560,729.00
JOHN BERNARD DUBEAU		FRESNO	CA	\$549,310.00
EDUCATION ENRICHMENT RESOURCES INC	BEST COMPUTER SUPPLIES	RENO	NV	\$541,512.00
WESTERN SHOWER DOOR INC.		FREMONT	CA	\$539,026.00
CLARKLIFT OF CALIFORNIA, INC.		SANTA FE SPRING	CA	\$523,170.00
LA CANADA ENTERPRISES, INC.	LA CANADA UNOCAL	LA CANADA FLINT	CA	\$520,257.00
SUPERIOR AUTO-MISSION HILLS, LLC.	SUPERIOR NISSIAN OF MISSION HILLS	CORONA DEL MAR	CA	\$443,488.00

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Elected in 2010, Chairman Jerome E. Horton is the Fourth District Member of the California State Board of Equalization, representing more than 8.5 million residents in Los Angeles County. He is also the Board of Equalization Legislative Committee chairman. He is the first to serve on the Board of Equalization with over 21 years of experience at the BOE. Horton previously served as an Assembly Member of the California State Assembly from 2000-2006.

The five-member California State Board of Equalization (BOE) is a publicly elected tax board. The BOE collects more than \$50 billion annually in taxes and fees supporting state and local government services. It hears business tax appeals, acts as the appellate body for franchise and personal income tax appeals, and serves a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes. For more information on other taxes and fees in California, visit www.taxes.ca.gov.

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